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In re Application of:) Art Unit: 1745
Peter VINZ) Examiner: D. KALAFUT
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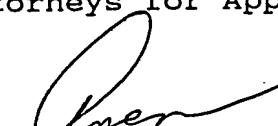
Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of August 12, 1999,
submitted herewith is a copy of the Preliminary Amendment filed
February 17, 1999, along with a copy of the receipt card
acknowledging receipt of this amendment in the PTO.

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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Preliminary to examination on the merits, please enter
the following amendments:

IN THE CLAIMS

Delete claims 1-8 and insert therefor new claims 9-24 as follows:

--9. A process for the conversion of sorptive reaction work into useful electrical work by means of a galvanic membrane electrolyte reaction cell (1) in which a ternary substance system consisting of a vapor/carrier gas mixture and a solution absorbing the vapor is fed in and carried off and a cell housing (2) which contains a flat-shaped, porous, gas-permeable first electrode (4) and a flat-shaped, porous, gas- and liquid-permeable second electrode (5), divided by a media-sealing, galvanically separating peripheral seal (3) into a first housing part (2.1) and a second housing part (2.2), in which between the electrode faces there is arranged a selectively ion-permeable membrane electrolyte (6) which forms with the porous electrodes (4,5) a mechanically stable